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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re Application of:)	Group Art Unit:	2881
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Serial No.:)	Examiner:	Paul M. GURZO
09/872,441)		
Filed:)	Confirmation No.:	2095
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OF, IRRADIATING ARTICLES)		

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**PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b) TO REVIVE AN
ABANDONED APPLICATION**

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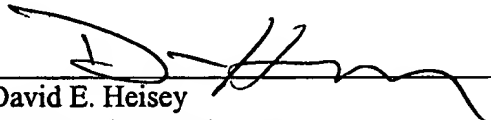
The fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17(m) for a Petition to Revive and Unintentionally Abandoned Application for a Large Entity is \$1,330.00. Accordingly, a check in the amount of \$1,330.00 is submitted. Since this application has a filing date on or after June 8, 1995, no terminal disclaimer or disclaimer fee is required.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper to our Deposit Account No. 50-2298 in the name of Luce, Forward, Hamilton & Scripps LLP.

Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office Action dated December 2, 2003, the following amendment and remarks are submitted for the Examiner's consideration.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 2.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 4.

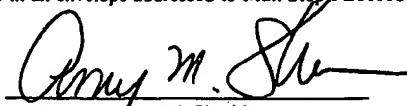
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In The Specification

Replacement paragraphs for the first paragraph on page 8 and the first paragraph on page 13 of the originally-filed specification are hereby provided for the correction of typographical errors.

Replacement paragraphs for the first paragraph on page 8:

--The articles 16 may have irregular characteristics at different positions. These irregular characteristics may include irregularities in geometrical configuration. For example, the articles 16 12 may constitute chubs having a cylindrical shape. The radiation from the source may pass through each chub in a vertical direction corresponding to the circular cross sections of the chub.--

Replacement paragraphs for the first paragraph on page 13:

--The fixture 20 has characteristics of receiving at the progressive positions different radiation doses per unit of distance of travel of the radiation through the fixture. The different radiation doses per unit of distance for the fixture 20 28 correspond to the different radiation doses per unit of distance for the article to maintain, within the particular limits at the progressive positions, the radiation dosage received by the article per unit of travel of the radiation through the article.--

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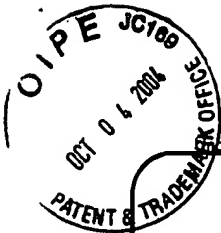
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